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REPLY REQUESTED

DATE

19 April 1966

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LETTER NO.

P&DS/D/SSS/6-25

TO : Chief, Information Processing Division

FROM:

ATTN:

SUBJECT: Chip Comparator Heads

Information received from [redacted] on 15 April 1966 indicates they are going through a new field lens design to replace the field lens now in the heads. This is necessary so that the reticule will focus with the 6X [redacted] eyepieces as well as the 10X [redacted] eyepieces. They are looking into the design cost and installation of these new lenses in the heads and feel it may be upwards of [redacted] per head to implement. Since this deficiency is felt to be an oversight on the contractor's part, but at the same time, was not contractually specified, it may be that some cost sharing between the contractor and the Agency must be worked out. The new reticule blanks are ordered and will be installed at the same time as the field lens modifications are made. The contractor was unable, at this time, to furnish a delivery schedule for the modifications, but will do so as soon as possible.

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We agree that this deficiency was an oversight on the contractor's part, particularly since [redacted] was furnished with both 6x and 10x eyepieces for use in developing the new Chip Comparator optical heads.

If this obvious requirement was not contractually specified, as it should have been, it was surely brought to [redacted] attention during the initial development phase, was it not?

Based on the facts, as we understand them, we cannot recommend cost sharing between the Agency and [redacted] in this instance since we believe [redacted] is at least "morally" obligated to correct this deficiency at their own expense.

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